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(54) Voice mail system and method of inter-voice mail system communication

(57) A method of exchanging voice mail messages between voice mail systems is disclosed. A voice mail system employing the method is also disclosed. The method comprises establishing a message exchange session between a first voice mail system and a second voice mail system. Information about features offered at each system is exchanged between the systems. Using this information the features that are common to both systems are determined. Thereafter, message data used only by features common to both systems is exchanged.

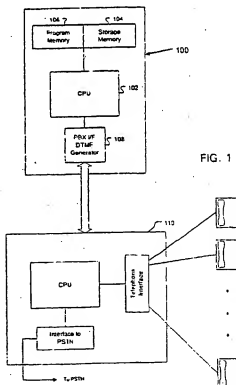


FIG. 1

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